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SBC-JIC Jesusita Fire 077
DATE: May 13, 2009
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Jesusita Fire Evacuation and Warning Area Update

EFFECTIVE AT 10:00 AM –the current mandatory evacuation orders in effect in the Painted Cave area have been downgraded to an evacuation warning. **Residents only** may return to their homes in the following areas:

- Painted Cave Road at HWY 154,
- Painted Cave Road to East Camino Cielo,
- East Camino Cielo to HWY 154,
- HWY 154 to Painted Cave Road.

The public is reminded that East Camino Cielo, east of Painted Cave, and all of Gibraltar Road remain within the **mandatory evacuation order** area and are closed except for emergency vehicle traffic.

The current **evacuation warnings** remain in effect for:

- The northern boundary remains at East Camino Cielo
- The southern boundary remains at Cathedral Oaks Road, Foothill Road (HWY 192), Stanwood Drive (HWY 192), Sycamore Canyon Road (HWY 192), East Valley Road (HWY 192), to Hot Springs Road.
- The Western Boundary of the evacuation warning area will move from Patterson Ave/San Jose Creek to Old San Marcos Road, Old San Marcos to HWY 154 (this includes the Trout Club area). HWY 154 to East Camino Cielo.
- The Eastern Boundary remains at Hot Springs Road extending north to East Camino Cielo Road.

Trail Closures:

- Approximately 70% of the San Marcos Foothills Preserve land area suffered some form of fire damage and are closed to the public until further notice due to continuing fire fighting operations. We expect to have a habitat assessment team on site for a detailed analysis on Monday, May 18. Certain areas may be accessible after the assessment.
- The City and Forest Service have closed Jesusita Trail, Tunnel Road Trail, and Rattlesnake Canyon Trail to the public until further notice.

- San Antonio Creek Trail is open.

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